## **Presidential Summit on Entrepreneurship**

In his June "A New Beginning" speech in Cairo, President Obama announced that the U.S. will host a Summit on Entrepreneurship to identify how we can deepen ties between business leaders, foundations, and social entrepreneurs in the United States and Muslim communities around the world. The Presidential Summit on Entrepreneurship, which will be held in Washington, DC over two days in the first quarter of 2010, follows through on President Obama's commitment. It represents an opportunity to highlight and support business and social entrepreneurship in Muslim-majority countries (MMC), including their minority populations, and Muslim communities around the world.

Through this Summit, the United States seeks both to join existing efforts and inspire new efforts to promote entrepreneurship and innovation in Muslim-majority countries and Muslim communities around the world. Delegates will include 150 participants from around the world who will represent their home countries, regions, sectors, and communities at the Summit. Delegates may self nominate or be nominated by others.

Successful entrepreneurs, investors, academics, and leaders of entrepreneurship networks, non-profits, foundations, and businesses who are invested in promoting business or social entrepreneurship in Muslim communities would be excellent delegates and are encouraged to apply.

There will be no preference given to self-nominations or outside nominations. However, letters of support are strongly encouraged to supplement a self-nomination. The nomination deadline is November 30, 2009.

For more information and to provide input for the summit or to nominate a delegate please visit : <a href="http://www.entrepreneurship.gov/Summit/">http://www.entrepreneurship.gov/Summit/</a>